

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COORDINATING COUNCIL

MINUTES

DATE: December 12, 2006

LOCATION: Arkansas State Highway & Transportation Department
10324 Interstate 30
Little Rock, Arkansas 72209

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Keith Rutledge, Joe M. Hill, DL Flowers alt. for Colonel Steve Dozier, Tammy Harrell alt. for Ken James, Chief Ronald Burks alt. for Dan Flowers, Wendy Kelly alt. for Larry Norris, Ann Purvis alt. for Richard Weiss, LTC Joe Morrow alt. for Major General Ronald S. Chastain, Laura Shue, Richard Gallagher alt. for J.R. Howard, David Guntharp, J.D. Gingerich, Chief Percy Wilburn, Judge Mary Ann Gunn, Rita Shepherd, Deborah Caspall, Jim Allen, Rick Hart, Mary Stone.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kent Williams, Timothy Williamson, Megan Cuddy, Wanda Williams, Dennis Moore, Ramona (Moki) Ellison, J.G. Regnier.

STAFF PRESENT:

Denise Luckett, Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention
Gene Smith, State Drug Director's Office

VISITORS:

Pamela Petersen-Baston, Trainer
Brandon Robbins, ARARNG – SAPO
Tommie Waters, OADAP Prevention Director
Jill Cox- SPF SIG Coordinator
Kenya Buffington, OADAP-Prevention
Stephanie Starks, OADAP- Prevention
Stephanie Green- Washington County Drug Court

KEITH RUTLEDGE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 12:20 PM.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed to all members for their review. After a review of the minutes, Chief Ron Burks made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Rick Hart seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement Committee Report

Chief Ronald Burks reported that the Law Enforcement Committee did not meet.

Treatment and Prevention Committee Report

Joe M. Hill reported that the T& P Committee did not meet.

OLD BUSINESS

Distribution of Monthly Financial and Utilization Reports:

T&P Committee Report

Joe M. Hill distributed the Providers' Utilization Reports. He reported that there were no unusual activities and providers are utilizing their funds as expected.

A motion was made by Chief Percy Wilburn to accept the report and seconded by Jim Allen. The motion carried.

Law Enforcement Report

Ann Purvis did not distribute the Drug Law Enforcement Program FY 2005 Federal/State Expenditure Summary Report. She reported no unusual activities and that everyone was spending their funds as expected.

A motion was made by Richard Gallagher to accept the report and seconded by Rita Shepherd. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- J.D. Gingerich spoke to the Council regarding Chief Justice Jim Hannah's request for one-time funding of \$40,000 to hire an interim Drug Court Coordinator to provide staff assistance to the drug court judges and their employees. He stated to the Council that due to the length of time it has taken for the Council to vote on this matter, the request has been modified to \$30,000.00. Additional duties of this position will entail working with licensed treatment centers, Departments of Community Corrections and Probation and Parole, OADAP and other stakeholders.

After a general discussion by members, a motion was made by Joe M. Hill to approve the one-time funding request from the Supreme Court of Arkansas in the amount of \$30,000. The motion was seconded by Rick Gallagher. The Council voted unanimously to approve the motion. The following members abstained from voting: Ann Purvis, Judge Mary Ann Gunn, J.D. Gingerich, and David Guntharp.

ANNOUCEMENTS:

Keith Rutledge announced that the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinating Council meeting for January will be held at 2:30 p.m. at the AR State Police Headquarters #1 State Police Plaza ADEQ Training Room, Little Rock, Arkansas 72209.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Rita Shepherd to adjourn and seconded by Jim Allen. The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Luckett